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**Drug combination of soft steroid and beta-2-adrenoceptor agonist, administered by inhalation for effective treatment of respiratory or allergic diseases, e.g. asthma**

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Abstract (Basic): DE 19947235 A1

**NOVELTY** - A pharmaceutical composition contains a 'soft' steroid or its ester (A) and/or at least one beta2-adrenoceptor agonist (B), for simultaneous, sequential or separate administration by inhalation for the treatment of respiratory diseases.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS** are included for: (i) a medicament for the treatment of allergies and/or respiratory diseases, containing effective amounts of loteprednol (A') and at least one beta2-sympathicomimetic agent (B) in free or fixed combination, optionally together with conventional auxiliaries or carriers; (ii) the preparation of medicaments as in (i) by mixing and formulating the appropriate components; and (iii) the use of (A') and (B') for the preparation of a medicament for use as in (i).

**ACTIVITY** - Antiasthmatic; antiinflammatory; respiratory; antiallergic. In tests for the inhibition of ovalbumin-induced cleavage-phase eosinophilia in sensitized guinea pigs by intrapulmonary administration, loteprednol at 0.001 mg/kg alone gave 10.5% inhibition, formoterol at 0.001 mg/kg alone gave 20.4% inhibition and a combination

of loteprednol and formoterol each at 0.001 mg/kg gave 64.5% inhibition.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - beta2-Adrenoceptor agonist; tumor necrosis factor-alpha release inhibitor.

USE - For treating respiratory tract diseases such as diseases of the lower respiratory tract, chronic obstructive respiratory tract diseases, bronchial asthma, chronic obstructive bronchitis, pulmonary emphysema with reversible obstruction and other bronchial diseases; and also for treating allergies such as allergic conjunctivitis.

ADVANTAGE - The (A)/(B) combinations are markedly more effective than either agent alone in inhibiting lipopolysaccharide-induced tumor necrosis factor-alpha release from diluted human blood and in inhibiting ovalbumin-induced cleavage-phase eosinophilia in sensitized guinea pigs. Compared with conventional corticosteroids such as budesonide, (A) have markedly reduced side-effects and toxicity and higher therapeutic index when used in treatment of cleavage-phase eosinophilia. The (A)/(B) combinations are highly effective when administered by inhalation and easy to administer in aerosol form.

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TECHNOLOGY FOCUS - PHARMACEUTICALS - Preferred Components: The 'soft' steroid (A) is loteprednol and the beta2-sympathicomimetic agent (B) is formoterol, salmeterol or reproterol.

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